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## **CLARIFICATION**

1. This update is a clarification to the methanolic preservation technique for volatile organics in soil samples, Information Update # 13, item # 15. This is in response to some of the concerns that were expressed to our Office regarding the technique being mandated by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ).

According to Ms. Karen Heidel, Deputy Director of ADEQ, " .......Although ADEQ has dedicated staff resources to this effort (*methanolic preservation of soils*), field preservation with methanol is just one sample collection technique encouraged by ADEQ to minimize volatile losses that occur during soil sampling. Alternative sampling techniques recommended by facilities conducting work under ADEQ regulatory programs will be evaluated upon request......."

If there are any further questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call Prabha Acharya, Program Manager, Technical Resources and Training at at the above numbers.

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